# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

VOITH PAPER GMBH & CO. KG

Civil Action No. 07-226-JJF

Plaintiff,

:

JOHNSONFOILS, INC.

:

Defendant.

v.

### DEFENDANT, JOHNSONFOILS, INC.'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND ITS COUNTERCLAIMS

Defendant, JohnsonFoils, Inc. ("JohnsonFoils") moves this Honorable Court to grant a Motion for Leave to Amend Its Counterclaims. Pursuant to Local Rule 15.1, the proposed pleading is attached as Exhibit "1". The form of the amended pleading showing additions and deletions is attached as Exhibit "2".

Support for this Motion is fully set forth in JohnsonFoils' accompanying Opening Brief and the referenced Appendices and Exhibits. A proposed Order accompanies this Motion.

Dated: December 21, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO LOCAL RULE 7.1.1

Pursuant to 7.1.1 of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, I hereby certify that counsel for JohnsonFoils, Inc. ("JohnsonFoils") has made a reasonable effort to reach agreement with counsel for Voith Paper GmbH & Co. KG ("Voith") on the matters set forth in "Defendant, JohnsonFoils, Inc.'s Motion for Leave to Amend Its Counterclaims" and hereby certify that that the parties have not been able to reach agreement.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Patricia P. McGonigle, Esquire, hereby certify that on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 2007, I electronically filed the foregoing pleading with the Clerk of Court using CM/ECF which will send notification of such filing to counsel of record. Further, I caused a copy of the foregoing to be served upon the following counsel as noted

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# DEFENDANT, JOHNSONFOILS, INC.'S, ANSWER, AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES, AND AMENDED COUNTERCLAIMS TO PLAINTIFF, VOITH PAPER GMBH & CO. KG'S, COMPLAINT

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  - 5. Denied.
  - 6. Denied.
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- 14. All of Voith's Twin Wire Former Patents are a family of related patents with the same subject matter and same specification that claim priority to application Serial No. 07/773,965, filed as PCT/EP90/01313, which is now abandoned.
- 15. On April 27, 2007, Voith filed a Complaint, in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware and docketed as C.A. No. 07-02226-JJF, alleging that JohnsonFoils infringed the '805 and '168 Patents ("Patents-in-Suit").

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- 19. There is a substantial and continuing justiciable controversy between Voith and JohnsonFoils regard JohnsonFoils' right to manufacture and sell twin wire formers having resiliently mounted blades and its infringement of the Voith's Twin Wire Former Patents.

# First Counterclaim Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the Patents-in-Suit

- 20. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-9 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 21. An actual controversy requiring a declaration of rights by this Court exists under the Patent Act between JohnsonFoils and Voith concerning the alleged infringement and the invalidity of the Patents-in-Suit.
- 22. JohnsonFoils' counterclaim for declaratory relief is brought pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201, et seq. and 35 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.

- 23. JohnsonFoils has not and does not infringe, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.
- 24. JohnsonFoils has not induced and is not inducing infringement of any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.
- 25. JohnsonFoils' has not in the past and is not now contributing to the infringement of any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.
- 26. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that it has not in the past infringed and is not now infringing any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.

## Second Counterclaim Declaratory Judgment that the Patents-in-Suit Are Invalid

- 27. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-16 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
  - 28. All claims of the Patents-in-Suit are invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 102.
  - 29. All claims of the Patents-in-Suit are invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 103.
  - 30. All claims of the Patents-in-Suit are invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 112.
- 31. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that the all claims of the Patents-in-Suit are invalid, unenforceable, and void pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.

# Third Counterclaim <u>Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the '206 Patent</u>

32. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-19 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

- 33. An actual controversy requiring a declaration of rights by this Court exists under the Patent Act between JohnsonFoils and Voith concerning the alleged infringement and the invalidity of the '206 Patent.
- 34. JohnsonFoils' counterclaim for declaratory relief is brought pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201, et seq. and 35 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.
- 35. JohnsonFoils has not and does not infringe, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, any claim of the '206 Patent.
- 36. JohnsonFoils has not induced and is not inducing infringement of any claim of the '206 Patent.
- 37. JohnsonFoils' has not in the past and is not now contributing to the infringement of any claim of the '206 Patent.
- 38. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that it has not in the past infringed and is not now infringing any claim of the '206 Patent.

## Fourth Counterclaim <u>Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the '091 Patent</u>

- 39. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-26 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 40. An actual controversy requiring a declaration of rights by this Court exists under the Patent Act between JohnsonFoils and Voith concerning the alleged infringement and the invalidity of the '091 Patent.

- 41. JohnsonFoils' counterclaim for declaratory relief is brought pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201, et seq. and 35 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.
- 42. JohnsonFoils has not and does not infringe, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, any claim of the '091 Patent.
- 43. JohnsonFoils has not induced and is not inducing infringement of any claim of the '091 Patent.
- 44. JohnsonFoils' has not in the past and is not now contributing to the infringement of any claim of the '091 Patent.
- 45. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that it has not in the past infringed and is not now infringing any claim of the '091 Patent.

## Fifth Counterclaim <u>Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the '544 Patent</u>

- 46. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-33 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 47. An actual controversy requiring a declaration of rights by this Court exists under the Patent Act between JohnsonFoils and Voith concerning the alleged infringement and the invalidity of the '544 Patent.
- 48. JohnsonFoils' counterclaim for declaratory relief is brought pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201, et seq. and 35 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.

- 49. JohnsonFoils has not and does not infringe, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, any claim of the '544 Patent.
- 50. JohnsonFoils has not induced and is not inducing infringement of any claim of the '544 Patent.
- 51. JohnsonFoils' has not in the past and is not now contributing to the infringement of any claim of the '544 Patent.
- 52. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that it has not in the past infringed and is not now infringing any claim of the '544 Patent.

## Sixth Counterclaim <u>Declaratory Judgment that the '206 Patent Is Invalid</u>

- 53. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-54 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
  - 54. All claims of the '206 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 102.
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  - 56. All claims of the '206 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 112.
- 57. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that the all claims of the '206 Patent is invalid, unenforceable, and void pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.

# Seventh Counterclaim <u>Declaratory Judgment that the '091 Patent Is Invalid</u>

- 58. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-59 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
  - 59. All claims of the '091 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 102.

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- 62. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that the all claims of the '091 Patent is invalid, unenforceable, and void pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.

## Eighth Counterclaim Declaratory Judgment that the '544 Patent Is Invalid

- 63. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-64 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
  - 64. All claims of the '544 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 102.
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- 67. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that the all claims of the '544 Patent is invalid, unenforceable, and void pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.

### Ninth Counterclaim Patent Misuse

- 68. JohnsonFoils incorporates paragraphs 1-79 of its Counterclaims as if fully set forth herein.
- 69. On information and belief, Voith has misused the Patents-in-Suit by filing the present action against JohnsonFoils for patent infringement when Voith

knew or should have known that JohnsonFoils was not infringing any permissible, reasonable or valid interpretation of any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.

- 70. On information and belief, Voith's impermissible, unreasonable or invalid interpretations of the claims of the Patents-in-Suit are interposed for the purposes of this suit and its anti-competitive effect.
- 71. On information and belief, Voith knew or should have known of existing prior art that was not before the United States Patent and Trademark Office during the prosecution of the applications leading to the Patents-in-Suit.
- 72. On information and belief, that existing prior art is such that Voith knew or should have known that the claims of the Patents-is-Suit were not patentable.
- 73. On information and belief, that existing prior art is such that Voith now knows or should have known that its interpretations of the claims of the Patents-in-Suit render them invalid.
- 74. On information and belief, Voith knowingly ignored the existing prior art so it could advance its impermissible, unreasonable or invalid interpretations of the claims of the Patents-in-Suit and use them as a jurisdictional basis for this sham suit and its anti-competitive effects.
- 75. Voith's assertion of impermissible, unreasonable or invalid interpretations of the claims of the Patents-in-Suit is having an anti-competitive effect on JohnsonFoils.

### RELIEF

WHEREFORE, JohnsonFoils requests that this Court enter a judgment that:

- (a) Dismisses Voith's Complaint with prejudice and denies all of the relief it requested therein;
- (b) Voith and all persons in active concert or participation with it are enjoined from threatening or charging JohnsonFoils, its suppliers, customers or distributors with infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,389,206, 5,500,091, 5,853,544, 5,718,805 and 5,972,168;
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  - (e) That Voith is not entitled to costs pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 288;
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- (g) This is an exceptional case entitling JohnsonFoils to an award of its attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285;
- (h) That JohnsonFoils is entitled to prejudgment interest and postjudgment interest on the above damages awards; and
  - (i) Such other and further relief as this Court may deem appropriate.

### JURY TRIAL DEMAND

A trial by jury is demanded.

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# First Counterclaim <u>Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the Patents-in-Suit</u>

- <u>20.</u> 10. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-19 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 21. 11. An actual controversy requiring a declaration of rights by this Court exists under the Patent Act between JohnsonFoils and Voith concerning the alleged infringement and the invalidity of the Patents-in-Suit.
- 22. 12. JohnsonFoils' counterclaim for declaratory relief is brought pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201, et seq. and 35 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.

- 23. 13. JohnsonFoils has not and does not infringe, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.
- 24. 14. JohnsonFoils has not induced and is not inducing infringement of any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.
- 25. 15. JohnsonFoils' has not in the past and is not now contributing to the infringement of any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.
- 26. 16. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that it has not in the past infringed and is not now infringing any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.

# Second Counterclaim <u>Declaratory Judgment that the Patents-in-Suit Are Invalid</u>

- <u>27.</u> 17. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-16 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
  - 28. 48. All claims of the Patents-in-Suit are invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 102.
  - 29. 19. All claims of the Patents-in-Suit are invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 103.
  - 30. 20. All claims of the Patents-in-Suit are invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 112.
- 31. 21. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that the all claims of the Patents-in-Suit are invalid, unenforceable, and void pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.

## Third Counterclaim <u>Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the '206 Patent</u>

- 32. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-19 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 33. An actual controversy requiring a declaration of rights by this Court exists under the Patent Act between JohnsonFoils and Voith concerning the alleged infringement and the invalidity of the '206 Patent.
- 34. JohnsonFoils' counterclaim for declaratory relief is brought pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201, et seq. and 35 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.
- 35. JohnsonFoils has not and does not infringe, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, any claim of the '206 Patent.
- 36. JohnsonFoils has not induced and is not inducing infringement of any claim of the '206 Patent.
- 37. JohnsonFoils' has not in the past and is not now contributing to the infringement of any claim of the '206 Patent.
- 38. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that it has not in the past infringed and is not now infringing any claim of the '206 Patent.

## Fourth Counterclaim Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the '091 Patent

39. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-26 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

- <u>40.</u> <u>An actual controversy requiring a declaration of rights by this Court exists under the Patent Act between JohnsonFoils and Voith concerning the alleged infringement and the invalidity of the '091 Patent.</u>
- 41. JohnsonFoils' counterclaim for declaratory relief is brought pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201, et seq. and 35 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.
- 42. JohnsonFoils has not and does not infringe, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, any claim of the '091 Patent.
- 43. JohnsonFoils has not induced and is not inducing infringement of any claim of the '091 Patent.
- 44. JohnsonFoils' has not in the past and is not now contributing to the infringement of any claim of the '091 Patent.
- 45. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that it has not in the past infringed and is not now infringing any claim of the '091 Patent.

# <u>Fifth Counterclaim</u> <u>Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the '544 Patent</u>

- 46. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-33 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 47. An actual controversy requiring a declaration of rights by this Court exists under the Patent Act between JohnsonFoils and Voith concerning the alleged infringement and the invalidity of the '544 Patent.

- 48. JohnsonFoils' counterclaim for declaratory relief is brought pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201, et seq. and 35 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.
- 49. JohnsonFoils has not and does not infringe, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, any claim of the '544 Patent.
- 50. JohnsonFoils has not induced and is not inducing infringement of any claim of the '544 Patent.
- 51. JohnsonFoils' has not in the past and is not now contributing to the infringement of any claim of the '544 Patent.
- 52. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that it has not in the past infringed and is not now infringing any claim of the '544 Patent.

### <u>Sixth Counterclaim</u> <u>Declaratory Judgment that the '206 Patent Is Invalid</u>

- 53. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-54 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
  - 54. All claims of the '206 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 102.
  - 55. All claims of the '206 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 103.
  - 56. All claims of the '206 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 112.
- 57. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that the all claims of the '206 Patent is invalid, unenforceable, and void pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.

## Seventh Counterclaim Declaratory Judgment that the '091 Patent Is Invalid

- 58. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-59 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
  - 59. All claims of the '091 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 102.
  - 60. All claims of the '091 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 103.
  - 61. All claims of the '091 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 112.
- 62. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that the all claims of the '091 Patent is invalid, unenforceable, and void pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.

### Eighth Counterclaim

### Declaratory Judgment that the '544 Patent Is Invalid

- 63. The allegations in Paragraphs 1-64 of JohnsonFoils' Counterclaims are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
  - 64. All claims of the '544 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 102.
  - 65. All claims of the '544 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 103.
  - 66. All claims of the '544 Patent is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 112.
- 67. JohnsonFoils is entitled to a declaratory judgment that the all claims of the '544 Patent is invalid, unenforceable, and void pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.

### Ninth Counterclaim Patent Misuse

- 68. 22. JohnsonFoils incorporates paragraphs 1-21-67of its Counterclaims as if fully set forth herein.
- 69. 23. On information and belief, Voith has misused the Patents-in-Suit by filing the present action against JohnsonFoils for patent infringement when Voith knew or should have known that JohnsonFoils was not infringing any permissible, reasonable or valid interpretation of any claim of the Patents-in-Suit.
- 70. 24. On information and belief, Voith's impermissible, unreasonable or invalid interpretations of the claims of the Patents-in-Suit are interposed for the purposes of this suit and its anti-competitive effect.
- 71. 25. On information and belief, Voith knew or should have known of existing prior art that was not before the United States Patent and Trademark Office during the prosecution of the applications leading to the Patents-in-Suit.
- 72. 26. On information and belief, that existing prior art is such that Voith knew or should have known that the claims of the Patents-is-Suit were not patentable.
- 73. 27. On information and belief, that existing prior art is such that Voith now knows or should have known that its interpretations of the claims of the Patents-in-Suit render them invalid.
- 74. 28. On information and belief, Voith knowingly ignored the existing prior art so it could advance its impermissible, unreasonable or invalid

interpretations of the claims of the Patents-in-Suit and use them as a jurisdictional basis for this sham suit and its anti-competitive effects.

75. 29. Voith's assertion of impermissible, unreasonable or invalid interpretations of the claims of the Patents-in-Suit is having an anti-competitive effect on JohnsonFoils.

### RELIEF

WHEREFORE, JohnsonFoils requests that this Court enter a judgment that:

- (a) Dismisses Voith's Complaint with prejudice and denies all of the relief it requested therein;
- (b) Voith and all persons in active concert or participation with it are enjoined from threatening or charging JohnsonFoils, its suppliers, customers or distributors with infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. <u>5,389,206, 5,500,091, 5,853,544</u>, 5,718,805 and 5,972,168;
- (c) JohnsonFoils its suppliers, customers and distributors are not liable for any infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. <u>5,389,206, 5,500,091, 5,853,544,</u> 5,718,805 and 5,972,168;
- (d) That U.S. Patent Nos. <u>5,389,206, 5,500,091, 5,853,544,</u> 5,718,805 and 5,972,168 are invalid, unenforceable, and void pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 *et seq.*;
  - (e) That Voith is not entitled to costs pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 288;
- (f) Awards JohnsonFoils damages arising out of Voith's misuse of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,389,206, 5,500,091, 5,853,544, 5,718,805 and 5,972,168;

- (g) This is an exceptional case entitling JohnsonFoils to an award of its attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285;
- (h) That JohnsonFoils is entitled to prejudgment interest and postjudgment interest on the above damages awards; and
  - (i) Such other and further relief as this Court may deem appropriate.

### JURY TRIAL DEMAND

A trial by jury is demanded.

Respectfully	submitted,
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Dated:	
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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

VOITH PAPER GMBH & CO. KG :

Civil Action No. 07-226

Plaintiff,

v.

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JOHNSONFOILS, INC.

:

Defendant.

### **ORDER**

WHEREAS, Defendant, JohnsonFoils, Inc. ("JohnsonFoils"), has filed a Motion For Leave to Amend its Counterclaims; and the Court having considered the respective papers submitted by Plaintiff and Defendant in support of, or in opposition to, said motion; and the Court having considered oral argument of counsel for the respective parties, if any; and the Court having considered the pleadings in this matter and the current status of the case;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_, that JohnsonFoils' Motion is granted; and it is further ORDERED that the proposed pleading attached as Exhibit B to JohnsonFoils' Motion For Leave to Amend its Counterclaims shall be docketed as the amended counterclaims.

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